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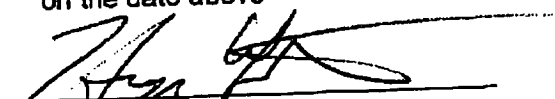
The undersigned filed a response to an office action dated August 30, 2004. The response was faxed to the USPTO on October 13, 2004, but the undersigned did not receive a fax confirmation receipt. Several times between October 13th and November 30, 2004, the undersigned called Examiner M. Said to determine whether the response had been received and entered by the USPTO. The response was re-faxed on Nov. 30, 2004.

A cover letter accompanying the Nov. 30th fax stated that the undersigned left voice mail messages with the Examiner Said between October 13th and November 30th, but the examiner never returned any of the undersigned's calls.

The undersigned retracts the statement about the examiner never returning the undersigned's calls. On Dec. 20th, Examiner Said contacted the undersigned and explained that, due to delays in scanning and otherwise processing the faxed response, he did not know whether the USPTO had actually received the response at the times the undersigned had called. Examiner Said also stated that he did in fact return the undersigned's calls between October 13th and November 30th.

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